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## Bear attack claims local man's life

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
 Didsbury Review

It was a somber mood at the AG Foods grocery store on Thursday afternoon, where co-workers of Bob Wagner, who was killed in a bear attack while hunting on Monday, worked through the day with heavy hearts.

"He'd been here for over ten years so it's like a big family...so it's like losing one of your family members...that's what it feels like for us," said Greg Poirier, manager of AG Foods.

The body of Robert Wagner, 48, from Didsbury, was found by an RCMP dog team in a private field west of the Little Red Deer River and north of the Bergen Road on Wednesday afternoon during a search and rescue mission.

The man had been reported missing Tuesday after he failed to return from a hunting trip on Monday. His pickup truck was found parked along Highway 22.

His body was found in a treed area about three quarters of a kilometre west of where the pickup was found.

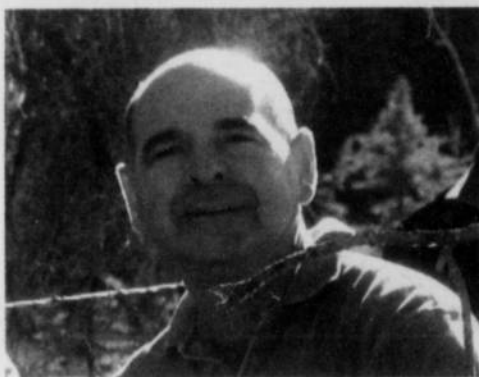
Police confirmed Friday that he died in a bear attack.

Described by his co-workers as a humble and caring man, Wagner, the assistant meat cutter, was always up for helping out anyone in the community. Meat manager, Gord Foisy talked about how if a friend needed help building a fence, Wagner would be there ready to help.

Known as an avid hunter, Foisy also pointed out that much of the game that Wagner hunted, he would share with friends or those less fortunate.

Remembered for being the 'cook' of the staff at the grocery store, Poirier talked about how every morning when Wagner was working he would always have a hearty breakfast prepared for the staff in the back coffee room.

"When he was on holidays, everyone was on a diet, but



Bob Wagner

Photo contributed

as soon as he got back we'd all gain five pounds," joked Poirier.

Always being the helping hand, Foisy reminisced how on his 50th birthday while having a barbecue, Foisy's barbecue set on fire while both he and Wagner were inspecting what was wrong with it. "As soon as we put out the fire, Bob went over to his place to get his barbecue and bring it over." That was just the kind of guy he was.

To many children in the community and regular shoppers at AG Foods, Wagner, 47, was known for handing out 'SPECIAL' stickers to the children and according to friends "would give you a little tug on the ear" accompanied with his infamous "giggle".

As the middle child of seven siblings, Wagner was raised in the Westcott area, west of Didsbury, and attended school in Didsbury. He married Brenda Rutley in 1987 and their son Lucas came along in 1990.

Described by his family and friends as being "an ambitious man" with a warm heart and a giving soul, Wagner worked in the meat cutting business in Crossfield, Cremona and Sundre before coming to Didsbury.

Along with his passion for hunting, friends say, "he was active with the Didsbury Lacrosse Association when (Lucas) started playing lacrosse. He loved watching (Lucas) play and was a referee when (Lucas) was younger."

Wagner was also known for his generosity with his time as he volunteered every Christmas to play the part of Santa at the nursing home/auxiliary hospital in town. Dawna Faryna, an employee at the hospital says "he delighted those seniors with his sparkly eyes for fifteen years and only faltered once when he forgot to show up last year."

According to friends, "The magnitude of the loss of Bob in this community is huge. Bob has left many good memories with his acts of kindness. He gave care packages to those less fortunate more often than anyone knows. He never, ever wanted to be recognized for his kind actions."

Wagner's friends have arranged for an education fund to be set up for Lucas and donations may be made at the Didsbury Royal Bank. "Words cannot adequately express the loss this community will feel. Everyone knew Bob or knew of Bob. The community as a whole expresses our heartfelt sympathy to Brenda, Lucas and the Wagner family."

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**X MARKS THE SPOT** - Advanced polls were busy Oct. 3 in Didsbury. Shirley Robb of Carstairs is voting early in Didsbury so she can work for Elections Canada at the Water Valley voting station Oct. 14.

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# Tragic outcome hard for searchers, family

BY DAN SINGLETON  
For the Review

More than 100 searchers – including family members, area search and rescue personnel, RCMP officers, and Fish & Wildlife officers – took part in last week's search for Didsbury's missing hunter, Robert Wagner.

An RCMP dog team found Wagner's body in a private field west of the Little Red Deer River and north of the Bergen Road last Wednesday afternoon.

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His body was found in a treed area about three quarters of a kilometre west of where the pickup was found.

Police confirmed Friday that he died in a bear attack.

The search area was located on both sides of the Little Red Deer River and Highway 22.

Wagner had permission from the owner to be on the one-section property.

A bear and cubs had been reported seen in the area, prompting RCMP to ensure searchers were accompanied by heavily armed police officers and Fish and Wildlife officers throughout the search.

The search included the use of several helicopters

equipped with infrared cameras, as well as fixed wing aircraft. Some of the ground searchers were on horseback and quads.

Civilian search manager Roger Tetreault, with Sundre Search and Rescue, said the tragic outcome of the search was hard on everyone.

"It wasn't one of our searchers who found him but we were all there with the family and friends," said Tetreault. "His wife never left and she was awesome."

"We do a regular debriefing on scene. I let the team leaders debrief their team either away from the base or when they get back to town."

The RCMP Victims Services units will be providing critical incident stress debriefing for anyone requesting it, he said.

"So that service is always available for any of our people who have a hard time," he said.

Search and Rescue personnel were informed before the search began that bears were reported in the area and that anyone uncomfortable could bow out, he said.

"Originally there was information from the landowners that there have been bears in the area, and on the first day of the search we had seen the tracks, but we didn't know exactly how close they were," he said.

"So during the initial



**ON THE SEARCH** – Heavily armed RCMP members leave a base camp near the Hamattan Gas Plant during a search for a missing hunter east of Bergen last week.

briefing I said there are two known grizzly bears in the area and this is what we plan to do, especially with the heavily armed Fish and Wildlife and RCMP tactical members who were going to be there. I said if anyone had issues with the bears or being with the guns, they could stay at the base if they wanted to do so. Nobody stayed at the base."

The training SAR members undertook before the search served them well

during last week's search, he said.

"I don't want to call it a routine search, but it was a typical organized structure for the search," he said.

Olds RCMP St. Staff. Kevin Morton, the police search manager, said the decision to have searchers accompanied by heavily armed officers was made to ensure the safety of all parties and is regular procedure.

The death of a second lone hunter in a bear attack in west central Alberta in less than a year is a stark reminder of the advisability

of hunting with a partner, says Sundre RCMP Sgt. Percy Leipnitz.

"I always say that hunting alone is not a good idea," said Leipnitz. "You never know what's out there. It's always better to be hunting with someone else."

"If you are hunting alone make sure you let someone know where you are going. When you're out in the bush you never know when you're going to come across one of these animals."

"It's unfortunate, being in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Fish & Wildlife officials set up culvert traps in the area in an attempt to capture the bear responsible for Wagner's death.

DNA evidence has been collected from the site where the fatality occurred for use in identifying the bear if and when it is captured, said Sustainable Resource Development spokesperson Dave Ealey.

A hunter was killed by a grizzly bear in the Mountain Aire area west of Sundre last November. In April, Fish & Wildlife officials captured and destroyed the female grizzly responsible.

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By Review Staff

### Business award nominees announced

Three nominees have been chosen for the 5th Annual Small Business of the Year Award given out by the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce.

Grassy Lumber Limited, Didsbury Value Drug Mart or Unique Stained Glass Works will be the business to take the award home this year.

The award acknowledges businesses in Didsbury and district businesses in areas of operating success, innovation, community service, staff recognition and customer service performance.

This award displays the entrepreneurial and progressive spirit found in our business community. The award recipient will be announced at the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce Small Business Gala on October 18.

### More garbage for dump?

Mountain View Regional Waste Management is looking to get approval for the Didsbury landfill to accept more than its allocated amount of waste per year.

"We've applied for the second phase of licensing to increase the amount of waste that goes into the landfill," said Neil Kivell, the CAO of MVRWM. "What's happening is that the people of this fine county aren't recycling enough," explained Kivell for the reason the landfill was needing to accept more than the 10,000 tonnes of waste a year it accepts now.

The Didsbury landfill takes in waste from Mountain View County, Towns of Olds, Sundre, Carstairs and Didsbury along with the Village of Cremona.

- Ahmad

### Spray paint sales restricted

A local business has opted to restrict sales of spray paint to minors in hopes of

curbing vandalism in Carstairs.

Rona Building Centre in Carstairs has implemented a policy requiring anyone who appears under the age of 18 to present picture ID to buy spray paint.

Ray Lauzon, retail manager at Rona, said the business implemented the policy to help curtail incidents of graffiti around town.

He added that the store had always had rules regarding the selling of spray paint but is only now enforcing a mandatory policy.

Didsbury RCMP had approached Rona to see if employees had noticed an increase in spray paint sales to anyone specific, but was unable to find a pattern.

Police have seen an increase in graffiti throughout town in recent months and are asking the public for their assistance in finding those responsible.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Didsbury RCMP at: 403-335-3382.

- Laycock

### Gas rebates coming in October

Didsburians should save approximately \$14 on their October gas bill.

Rebates under the Natural Gas Rebate program were triggered when two of the three regulated natural gas companies charge rates above \$5.50 per gigajoule.

The majority of residential consumers will have the rebate applied directly to their monthly gas bill while large scale commercial and industrial consumers, along with those who heat their homes with other fuels, will need to apply for the rebate.

The program runs from October to March for most consumers, when Alberta residences use about 80 per cent of the total natural gas consumed for the year.

Rebate amounts increase as the price of natural gas rises with a cap of \$8.75 per gigajoule.



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Mountainview Colts forward Ryan Miller shoots a puck up front of the Ponoka goal during the team's home game Saturday night. The Colts won the game 10-3. The team's next home game is Saturday.



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# Opinion

## Commentary Your one vote does count



SABEEN AHMAD

Between Canada and the United States, the past weeks and months have been full of debates and political talk.

I'll be honest, most of the time when I see the debates, it reminds me of school kids blaming each other when something bad happens or boasting "I'm better than you!" to get attention from others.

I often find it hard to sit through a whole debate without getting that sense when I hear a politician say how "the other party doesn't do this but WE will." I know it's how parties get votes but wouldn't it be just as easy to simply state your party's platform, answer any questions, and leave it up to the public to vote on whom they want?

Throughout my journalism schooling I have become more and more aware and familiar with both Canadian and American politics and, to my surprise, it does interest me...to a degree.

I'd be lying if I don't get more interested in politics when a scandal breaks - whether it's an actual political scandal or a politician's personal scandal. But maybe that's how some politicians are able to pique the public's interest? I don't really know.

What I do know is that I'm not the only one who feels this way. I have talked to many people who echo my feelings. Don't get me wrong, I understand that politics are an important part of running the country. I understand the government does a lot for this country and that is the reason I vote - to have my chance in choosing how I want this country to be run. But I do not have a particular party I am devoted to. I listen to and read up on each party's platform and decide on which platform best suits my interests.

There have been many times when my brother, who is a political science major, and I have gotten into arguments about how I am not being loyal to a particular party or not understanding politics completely. So then what can be done about that?

At the political forum hosted by the chamber last Wednesday night, not only were there less than 50 people there, there were barely any young people. Now, at the age of 27 I most definitely do not consider myself a young person, but if the legal age of voting is 18...where were they at the forum?

Please don't take this as me ranting or raving. I am simply curious.

America has the entire 'Rock the Vote' campaign where Hollywood celebrities and athletes encourage the youth to get out and vote...what does Canada have?

If I am missing out on something, please let me know because it would be great for a Canadian campaign to be out there to encourage young Canadians to vote.

For as long as I can remember, I have been reminded and simply told that voting is important and I should not have the idea that "my vote won't count." I know it does.

Although I am not a politician and I may not have a platform of my own, I do strongly urge all those out there - if you are 18, you can vote - do some research now while you have time and get out and vote.

If you don't have an interest in watching the campaigns then read up on websites or pamphlets or brochures that I know are in circulation for each party. For your future, go out and vote on October 14 and believe that your vote can make a difference.



DOW PLUNGES 778 POINTS AFTER BAILOUT VOTE FAILS...

## Letters to the editor

### Senior has thankful heart this Thanksgiving

I am an 82-year-old resident of Aspen Ridge Lodge who recently underwent a total hip replacement. I am so thankful for the new quality of life I received and want to assure anyone if they are uncertain about having the same surgery...don't be. Modern science has come a long way and you won't regret it. I would also like to thank the doctors and nurses of Rockyview Hospital for their excellent care.

A heartfelt thanks for my family and friends from across Canada and my daughter from Delaware who

came to be at my side along with stepdaughters and son and grandkids. How wonderful to feel their love and support!

I also want to pay tribute to the Aspen Ridge Lodge nurses and staff for their excellent care of me before the surgery. They are the greatest. I would be remiss if I didn't mention my personal physician, Dr. Ash Jaffer, for his care and concern and friendship. He continues to encourage me and is like one of the family.

Then, last but not least, I want to thank my God who was with me

throughout the whole ordeal. When the doctors wondered whether I was too big a risk and tried to persuade me not to have the surgery, I prayed, "God, what shall I do?" A voice answered in my inner conscience, "I have brought you this far...I'll take you all the way." He did.

Yes, I celebrate this Thanksgiving with a grateful heart. I hope you can also.

Thank you.

Virgil Earle  
Didsbury

### Disconcerted with discouraging long-term care story

It is very disconcerting to read the article 'Woman cries foul over father's burned mouth' (Sept. 23 issues of the Didsbury Review). It is very unfortunate and I can understand the concern but we, too, had a family member in the long-term care for a very long period of time and the care was the best one could ever wish for.

However, things could happen and this is not anyone's fault. Often, clientele are "high needs" and staff cannot be everywhere, especially when they are short of help. Twenty-one years later, I still see some of the same caregivers working, and that to me is dedication. These people work extremely hard and some days the workload is

very heavy, but they still smile and display their patience. Thank goodness there are such people and they are there for those who need them. Where would we be without them? Don't be discouraged and keep up your good work—it is appreciated.

Mary Devolin

### Long-term care staff deserve our thanks

Re: "Woman cries foul over father's burned mouth" in the Sept. 23, 2008 issue of the Didsbury Review.

With regard to the above, to even suggest that the staff would intentionally cause harm to any patient in long-term care is ridiculous. You will not find any more dedicated staff in any care facility in this province. If Ms. Balcom wants to contact government, why isn't she petitioning the province to provide enough staff in

these facilities? That is not to trivialize what happened to Mr. Kerns as I'm sure it was a terrible experience for him, and I sympathize with him, but I believe that if these facilities were adequately staffed, these things would not happen. Recently, I sat with a patient at night in Unit 4. These poor staff are run off their feet, for at least two to three hours after supper. I don't know how they even manage to stay sane. It is nothing

to hear the buzzers going, the telephone, one person yelling "help" and another yelling, "nurse, nurse". Meanwhile, these staff members are trying to get everyone ready for bed. They deserve a medal for their dedication and hard work—not an investigation! They do their best! The patients are like family to them. Thanks to Unit 4.

Wendy Sorenson  
Didsbury

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# Bullying becoming quite prevalent in Didsbury

BRIAN WITTAL



I wanted to take some time to talk about an unfortunate trend that seems to be manifesting itself in our community and that is bullying.

Over the summer on several occasions I am sad to say that I have been contacted by parents with concerns about their children being bullied, threatened or beaten up or property and vehicles vandalized by youth in our town.

It concerns me to hear that we have youth in this town ranging from the ages of 10 to 16 that are going about picking on other kids and even threatening to beat them up if they see them on the streets.

An incident several weeks ago involved girls that were 10 to 12 years old picking on and kicking an eight-year-old girl in public.

In a number of these situations the parents of the children who were bullied have tried to contact the parents of the bullies and have met resistance and even downright denial that their child was involved.

This brings me to question: where are the parents of these children? Do they not know what their kids are up to? Who is giving these kids the moral guidance in regards to respecting other people and their property? Who is teaching them right from wrong?

Our schools have programs that are aimed at this but they only have contact with these kids for six hours a day and they are not responsible for their behaviour after hours.

I truly believe that the vast majority of the kids in our town are excellent citizens that we can all be proud of but there are a few that seem to be off track and need some help and guidance. I do not blame them as much as I do their parents for not parenting and helping their children become the best person that they can be.

We all have issues in our lives that need to be handled but if these issues continually get in the way of us as parents doing our job we are sadly shortchanging our kids and setting them up for a long, hard life of loneliness and disappointment. As parents we must make time to spend with our children to show them we care about who they are and who they will become.

Parents need to be more aware of what their children

are up to and do what they can to ensure that they are not put in a situation where they will be bullied or bully someone else.

Closer parental supervision and setting specific times for your kids to be at home in the evenings and stay home all help to reduce the chance that your child will be involved in an unacceptable incident such as bullying or vandalism.

As a community we also need to be more aware and pay closer attention to what is happening around us. We have the RCMP, COP and our bylaw officer who help to monitor and reduce these incidents but I believe that there is nothing better than community awareness and scrutiny to help put accountability on to those individuals who are bullying and/or their parents to do something about it.

As a community we need to get the message out that this kind of behaviour will not be tolerated in our town and those that are involved will be held accountable by the community as a whole for their actions as will their parents.

As a community we need to make the statement that this kind of behaviour is not acceptable and will not be tolerated and that we are going to be watching.

To the youth of Didsbury, all I can say is you are citizens of our community, let's all work together to build a town we can be proud of.

Peer pressure is a great tool to use in a positive way. If you see someone doing something wrong tell him or her to stop, or tell an adult who can better address the situation, or report it to the RCMP.

Studies and research have shown that youths with limited parental supervision are far more likely to become involved in bullying and or swarming activities against other youth because they are being left to listen to peers or outsiders when trying to determine what is proper behaviour. Parents need to be the ones giving guidance and setting rules for their children when it comes to their behaviour towards others and respect in general for people and their property.

Reporting incidents to the RCMP is a key first step as they can do nothing unless they have information and details to go on, or are able to catch them in the act, and

this is very difficult.

We as a community need to take this issue seriously and do our part to try to reduce and hopefully eliminate these incidents.

If these measures don't help to improve the situation then we will need to look at other options as have other communities like Cochrane and Ponoka which have recently put in a curfew for youth under 16 of 11 p.m. Council has previously discussed this before and did not want to implement a curfew at that time but if this behaviour persists the discussion will no doubt happen again. Do we

want to go down that road?

Youth, take pride in your community.

Parents, let's be more proactive in our parenting.

Residents, let's be more aware and engaged in what is happening in our town.

An African Proverb said, "It takes a village to raise a child."

We can make a difference if we do this together.

Brian Wittal is the mayor of Didsbury

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Date:	Time:	Location:
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Tues., Oct. 21	9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Didsbury Hospital
Wed., Oct. 22	9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Didsbury Hospital
Tues., Nov. 4	9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Didsbury Hospital
Wed., Nov. 12	9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Didsbury Hospital
Sat., Nov. 15	9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Didsbury Hospital
<b>Carstairs</b>		
Wed., Nov. 5	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Half Century Club, Carstairs
Fri., Nov. 14	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Half Century Club, Carstairs
<b>Cremona</b>		
Fri., Nov. 7	9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Gold & Silver Club, Cremona

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## Thursday, September 25

**12:08 p.m.:** complaint in Didsbury of a single vehicle accident on 20th Ave. Airbags had deployed and vehicle was blocking traffic.

**1:55 p.m.:** Complaint of a red semi hauling pipe. Caller thought driver was falling asleep, since trailer was swerving between lanes. Members were able to stop driver and questioned him. He was awake and fine and did not know reason for trailer swerving, except for that it was a large load.

**8:38 p.m.:** report of a single vehicle roll over at Hwy 791 and Hwy 582

**10:30 p.m.:** residential complaint in Didsbury of two youths fighting inside. Resident was wanting help to break up fight.

**11:30 p.m.:** call from the Didsbury golf course of possible break and enter. Alarm had gone off and when members attended

they found damage done to the building but nothing missing. The search resulted in nobody in sight - they may have been scared off by alarm.

## Friday, September 26

**2:50 a.m.:** Checkstop at Hwy. 582. Vehicle with four individuals inside was stopped. A fair amount of cannabis in vehicle was found and all four were arrested and lodged in cells.

**10 a.m.:** Complaint on Hwy. 582 of a bull on the highway. With the help of farmers in area, members were able to get bull back in a pen.

**3:15 p.m.:** Carstairs complaint of a male saying he was with the energy company asking for bills and personal information from a resident. He was wearing a company uniform. Members attended and found that it was a legitimate company.

**4:20 p.m.:** Complaint in

Didsbury of a couple of teenage boys vandalizing a fence around a parking lot. Another male became angry and when he asked them to stop, the boys became aggressive.

**5 p.m.:** Complaint of cattle trailer speeding on Hwy. 2. Cattle liner was empty but travelling at high rate of speed.

A more northern detachment was notified to intercept.

**8:45 p.m.:** Complaint of two intoxicated youth checking vehicles. One of them was missing a shoe and the other was wearing shorts. Members attended and youth were arrested and placed in cells. No stolen property was found on them.

**10:50 p.m.:** Principal of DHS called to say a student

left a school dance intoxicated and that a male in a truck with four to five occupants were following the student. It was unknown of the location they had driven off to.

**11:30 p.m.:** Carstairs complaint of neighbour continuously setting off fireworks.

## Saturday, September 27

**12:10 a.m.:** Complaint, in Carstairs, from citizens on patrol of a group of teenagers with open liquor. Members attended and youth were gone.

**12:30 a.m.:** Complaint in Didsbury of youths causing trouble smashing shopping cart into vehicle. Members attended and found males who denied any involve-

ment. Youths appeared to have been drinking and one male admitted they had been the ones causing the trouble. They were arrested and returned to cells. No damage was visible on the vehicle.

**9:55 a.m.:** Complaint from local business in Cremona of a business owner helping out an employee by loaning him his truck. The employee never came back with truck.

**10 p.m.:** Complaint in Cremona area of a vehicle circling a residence. When resident turned the lights on outside, the vehicle backed out of driveway and headed towards Hwy. 22. When members attended they found a large party in area.

## Sunday, September 28

**2 a.m.:** Report of a person driving a truck in the Water Valley area, backing over someone's fence. The

individual left the scene and did not contact owner.

**10 a.m.:** On Hwy. 580, a member was following a vehicle and found it was speeding. Driver was stopped and he indicated he was in hurry to get to golf, as he was late for his tee time. Driver smelled of alcohol and was arrested on the spot.

## Monday, September 29

**1 a.m.:** Complaint in Carstairs of two vehicles and occupants behind a business. Caller could hear glass breaking. Members attending found that one of them was the owner of the business. Glass could have been something being thrown in garbage. No damage was found.

**12:30 p.m.:** Complaint in Cremona of two males driving a sports car with right hand steering. Males were egging a business after being denied buying fireworks. Last seen heading south on Hwy. 22.

## Tuesday, September 30

**5:30 p.m.:** Complaint near Cremona of a truck pulling a trailer. It was swerving from side to side. Caller lost phone connection before anything else could be obtained.

**11:40 p.m.:** Complaint in Didsbury from a licensed establishment of girls fighting in the bathroom.

## Wednesday, September 1

**6:13 a.m.:** Complaint on Hwy. 2 that a truck hauling hay with wide load had no lights on and was travelling at a slow speed, reporting it as a traffic hazard.

**10:50 a.m.:** A lady came into Didsbury detachment to turn herself in on warrants issued in Calgary and Airdrie. Warrants were checked and she was released to attend court.

**12:05 p.m.:** Complaint of youths smoking marijuana near the Didsbury High School.

**3:50 p.m.:** Report by an individual that thought he had lost his cellphone in the Sundre area, as he could not locate it. Then thought that it was possible he had run over it with a vehicle.

**8 p.m.:** Carstairs complaint of two male youths banging on the front door of a residence with no answer. The youths then went to the back door to bang on it. They may have been checking to see if anyone was home, but took off when it seemed that the house was secured.



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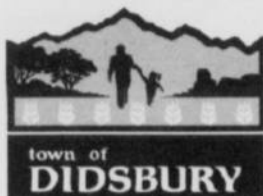
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Didsbury Landfill	403-335-2005
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Rosebud Valley Campground	403-335-8578
Chamber of Commerce Office	403-335-3265
Library	403-335-3142

## PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING WITH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TO FOLLOW:

Tuesday October 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday October 15, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

The Town Office will be closed the second Friday of every month from Noon to 1:00 pm (October 10, 2008)

## NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS:

DP 97-08 1406 - Avenue Garage/Deck/Basement Development RC

DP 102-08 60 Westpoint Drive Roof over existing Residential Entry R1

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 403-335-3391. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **October 21, 2008**.

Robert Wigg, Development Officer

## Rollout Cart Schedule October 2008

■ Black Bin ■ Green Bin

Su	Mo	Tu	W	Th	Fri	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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\$5 drop in fee.



## Town of Didsbury - Request for Proposal ROSEBUD VALLEY CAMPGROUND MANAGERS

The Town of Didsbury invites proposals for the contract for the Management of the Rosebud Valley Campground.

The successful contractor will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Rosebud Valley Campground.

Contractors are to reside in the manufactured home located within the campground as outlined in the Resident Contract with the Town of Didsbury.

For questions on the proposal and a copy of the contract please contact Luana Smith at 335-3391 or by email: lsmith@didsbury.ca or view contract on the Town of Didsbury Website: www.didsbury.ca.

Please submit proposals to: Luana Smith, Municipal Clerk  
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Didsbury AB T0M 0W0  
Phone: 403-335-3391  
Fax: 403-335-9794  
Email: lsmith@didsbury.ca

Deadline for submission is October 13, 2008

## Notice of Road Closure

The North end of 14 Street, South of Hwy 582 will be closed effective October 1, 2008 for the Municipal Utility installation. 14th street access to Hwy 582 will not be available after this date.

## Utility Bill Changes

Residents: The Town of Didsbury is in the process of upgrading our procedures for Water/Sewer/Garbage billing. These changes will effect your payment due date, any pre-authorized withdrawal or credit card payment date, as well as when the Town of Didsbury will accept residential reads by mail, phone, e-mail, or verbally at the Town Office.

In the next five (5) weeks we will provide you with the full details of these changes. Please watch the Town of Didsbury ad in the Didsbury Review, and your next utility bill will also include a memo detailing each of the changes.

Please note that these changes will not be in effect until the October billing period in November 2008.

### Please note:

If you have your door tagged requesting a water meter read, please try to get that reading back to us as soon as possible. Those tags are the most direct and efficient means of contacting you.

Thank you for your patience during these changes.



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- **STAYING HOME ALONE** - Learn to stay home alone safely. Six sessions, for children aged 10-12 years, and siblings aged 8-9 years. Nov. 2, 4, 11, 18 and 25 and Nov. 30. Cost is \$35 first child and \$20 additional child.
- **SPORTS FOR SHORTS** - For ages 3-5 years. Monday nights from 6-7 pm in the MPR, Oct 20 - Nov 24. Cost is \$32/ child.
- **GUITAR HERO** - Come prove your skills on Guitar Hero - prizes to be won! Ages 8 - 12. Oct 31 from 10am - 4pm. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch.
- **PERSONAL SAFETY CLASSES** - Personal Safety is 90% good decisions and 10% good reactions. Safety awareness will teach you how to make good decisions. Padded attacker will teach you good reactions. Personal Safety Level 1 (Ages 18+) - Oct 18 8am - 12pm. Cost is \$120.00+GST

For more info or to register, call DNP at 403-335-8719.

## Attention Snowbirds!

Temporary Suspension of Waste Pickup now offered by the Town of Didsbury. Check out [www.didsbury.ca](http://www.didsbury.ca), or watch your September utility bills for more details!

## Didsbury Recreation Presents Didsbury Hockey Development



Increase your Skating and Performance abilities with Instructor Michael R. Bracko, (Ed.D., CSCS, FACSM) Sports Physiologist/Director for the Institute for Hockey Research. Take advantage of this rare opportunity with small class sizes for only \$200/ athlete for 8 sessions of top of the line training right in Didsbury! Limited number of spots available so register quickly! Sessions begin October 3, 2008 and run through March 6, 2009.

Call 403-335-7369 for details or to see Michael Bracko's full credentials check out [www.didsbury.ca/rec](http://www.didsbury.ca/rec)

## Public Skating

Begins October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008

\$2 Please pay at

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Monday 7:00-9:00pm

Wednesday 7:00-9:00pm

Saturday 12:30-4:00pm

Sunday 12:30-4:00pm

Leisure Ice Rentals also available!!

Call 403-335-7364 to book.





Time keeper Bob Longeway keeps an eye on his watch as candidates take turns responding to questions.

Mark Laycock/Didsbury Review

## Candidates in the political hot seat during forum

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
Didsbury Review

Four candidates offered up what their first private member's bill would be if elected as MP of Wild Rose Constituency at the political forum, hosted by the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce, last Wednesday night.

NDP candidate, Jeff Horvath suggested that his first private bill would be similar to the Kelowna Accord, relating to aboriginal child poverty. Lisa Fox, candidate from the Green Party would like to see minority party support and to remove large subsidies from wealthy industries and redirect them to the community referring to sustainability for the communities. Liberal candidate Jenn Turcott focused more on gender equality being added to the constitution whereas women would have more protection. Turcott emphasized that regional women's offices, which were cut in the Conservative government, needed to be brought back so women had places to turn to. Blake Richards of the Conservative Party narrowed his bill down to democratic reform and the importance of having a better representation in the senate.

Despite the dismal turnout of fewer than 50 people, candidates from the Green Party, Conservative Party, Liberal Party and NDP were out at the Didsbury Memorial Complex to answer questions and talk about their platforms Wednesday night.

Moderated by Barry Valteau, candidates were asked questions that were written down by those in attendance and then read out by Valteau.

The questions ranged from military issues to seniors' issues and were directed to all candidates with a focus more so federally rather than locally.

### Military

Military topics were asked about twice throughout the night. The first question brought up was regarding whether or not the candidates supported the US policy for anti-ballistic missiles on Canadian soil. First to respond was Turcott who felt that in order for this to happen, the Canadian government should be allowed some control, "With one of these weapons on our property there has to be legislation on whether or not we have control, on where they will be launched and how they are going to be launched. Until then I don't see why the US has to let their weapons on our soil."

Richards came with a more diplomatic response sug-



RIGHT TO LEFT: Liberal Jenn Turcott, Conservative Blake Richards, NDP Jeff Horvath, Green Lisa Fox.

Mark Laycock/Didsbury Review

gesting that he would "have to have more information and details" before he could say yes or no. Richards stressed that it was very important to get along with our neighbours and that in being part of North America we have to work as a whole.

Horvath strongly stated that he and the NDPs were strongly against anti-ballistic missiles on Canadian soil. "It's a very Cold War revival type of move...not a process towards peace."

Green Party's Fox also voiced that they did not support this issue and pointed out to the audience that the Conservative party did in fact support the anti ballistic missiles being on Canadian soil.

The next question regarding the military was on whether or not the parties would be bringing home Canadian troops now.

Horvath's simple answer to the question was that the NDP did support our troops and that they would bring home the troops from Afghanistan.

Fox highlighted that her party believed that Canada's role in Afghanistan needed to be "significantly redesigned to a peace building strategy to engaged diplomacy." She also stated that the Green Party did not support any further military participation after February 2009.

Liberal Party's Turcott, explained that the troops would be brought home in 2011 and that there would need to be a "redirection of focus down there to more of a peace-keeping mission rather than offensive mission." She also

stated that the Liberals were proud of the Canadian troops and continued to support them.

Though the question was not directed towards Conservative Richards, he did choose to state that troops would be brought home in 2011.

### Environment

Another popular topic of the night was the environment and focused mostly around greenhouse gas emissions. The first question put out to the candidates was regarding CO2 emissions and climate change.

Horvath offered that the NDP's plan was to "put a cap and trade system" on the environment "so major polluters pay."

Fox suggested that we "need to start taking proactive measures today or tomorrow and that includes reducing our carbon footprint and reducing CO2 in the atmospheres." Fox pointed out that we needed aggressive policies now.

Turcott focused on the Liberals' Green Shift plan, "(It) is a progressive plan that incrementally at ten per cent a year, reduces our greenhouse gases at ten dollars per tonne on our emissions." Turcott and the Liberals believe that this "balances our need for a stable economy and building up the economic platform with energy and environment."

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## Forum

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"The place to start is with what we shouldn't do," stated the Conservatives.

Richards. "Carbon tax will have a devastating impact on our economy," Richards said referring to the Green Party and Liberal Party's plan. The Conservatives' plan, according to Richards, is "a more balanced plan" putting forth that they would look to twenty per cent reduction in emissions by 2020, protecting the environment and preserving the economy.

### Education

A question directed to Turcott and the Liberals was where their stance was regarding the importance of education.

Being a recent grad herself, Turcott stressed that this was an important issue for her and said that the Liberals had a strong platform for students where they would reduce student loan interests to prime plus half, currently it is prime plus 0.35. She also stated that under the Liberals "every student would be guaranteed a loan of at least \$5000 no matter what their parents make." Under the Liberals, Turcott also stated that there would be initiatives put in place to pay back loans with more leeway and that instead of the usual six months, graduates would have up to two years to pay it back.

Though not directed to the other candidates, they all were quick to offer what their parties were bringing to the table.

Richards believed that education was under the provincial jurisdiction and that should be respected. However, he did mention that Conservatives would look into tax breaks for scholarships and bursaries as eliminating barriers for students getting loans.

Horvath was a big supporter of education as he is a teacher. "If we can provide a strong educational system we can achieve a better standard of living...a better society."

Fox believed that it was a federal responsibility to work with provinces and work with issues regarding education. Fox was vocal on science education. "(It) should be bumped up at five notches because kids need to start loving science if they are going to start loving

the process it's going to take to fix this planet...we need to evolve."

### Health Care

The issue of privatizing health care was brought up in a question to the candidates.

Both Turcott and Horvath mentioned not being in support of privatizing health care. "We should not be paying more for health care, we should be paying to have it improved," said Turcott.

"I don't believe that a person's health should be dictated by their pay cheque," Horvath stated after mentioning Tommy Douglas and universal health care.

Though Fox said she fundamentally believed in universal health care and that it was something to be proud of in Canada, she was still "open to working and finding solutions that work for us in this riding."

Blake suggested that one of the most important issues concerning health care was wait times for patients. Although he believed that this issue was another one that fell under provincial jurisdictions Blake stated that the government had "worked with provinces to institute patient wait time guarantees...trying to turn wait times down."

It was a clean 45-minute question and answer period between all four candidates, which ended with each candidate allowed time to wrap up with a few last-minute words on their party and why the public should vote for them.

Turcott kept a strong emphasis on her party's "open and transparent" platform being a strong plan for Canada and its future. She encouraged the public to vote Liberal "if you want a richer, fairer, greener Canada."

Richards voiced how he wanted "to be the voice for the people of Wild Rose" and described himself as being one of them. "I am a regular guy that works hard and has paid my dues and has a concern for the future of this country that's just like all of you...that's the kind of person we want to represent us in Ottawa."

Horvath discussed the importance of values suggesting to "choose the candidate that suits your values" referring to himself and the NDP.

Fox was the final candidate to speak stating that it was time to "fight for a government that represents the interests of our future...our children." Fox suggested to be very cautious with voting and to make an informed choice about the future. "I'm not asking you to vote for a green government, I'm asking you to vote for a green MP."



## In and Around Didsbury

Marge St. Clair

Floor curling will start on Tuesday, Oct. 14. Be sure you get your name in to Jim Smith at 335-2240 or Bill Jepps at 335-3223 so that teams and schedules can be drawn up.

### Wednesday, Oct. 8

You are welcome to come to the Fall Fair at the Mountainview Christian Women's Dessert Night at the Carstairs Golf Club at 7 p.m. Special speaker is Fran Hansen. Reservations are a must. Please do this by phoning Deb at 337-2487 or Maria at 337-0122. Please note there is no babysitting.

### Thursday, Oct. 9

All seniors are welcome to come to Eldon Foote Hall (Train Station) at 1:30 p.m. to spend the afternoon visiting, playing cards, doing crafts, etc. Refreshments are served.

### Friday, Oct. 10

Cribbage play starts at 7 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. Come and enjoy the cards, the coffee and goodies, and the visiting.

Have a happy Thanksgiving, all.

### Saturday, Oct. 11

The Claresholm Storm hockey team will play at the Didsbury arena at 8 p.m. against the Mountain View Colts. Come and cheer on your home team.

### Wednesday, Oct. 15

Children's author and illustrator Georgia Graham will be at the Didsbury Municipal Library for four sessions at 9:30 and 11 a.m., and 12:50 and 2:05 p.m. Your small children will enjoy a session.

### Friday, Oct. 17

All seniors interested in carpet bowling at the 5-0 Centre on Monday and Friday mornings from 10 to 11 a.m., please get your name in to Willard, at 335-8640 or 335-2861. If you do not know this game, come and try it and then decide if you want to play or not. Hopefully, the schedule will get underway today.

The O.O.R.P. ladies are having a bake sale at the Elks Hall from 10 a.m. on. Weather permitting, some baked goods will be on display and sale outside. This is a great chance for all uptown workers on their coffee break or lunch hour to stock up on some goodies.

When Dr. Nugent retired after his visit last week, he advised us that Dr. Scott Fitzgerald of the Airdrie Foot Institute Clinic is prepared to accept patients by appointment at the Wildrose Medical Centre in Olds, at 5314-46 Street. Phone (403) 556-1542.

### Saturday, Oct. 18

There is a free curling clinic being held today starting at 9 a.m. and continuing for most of the day. This will refresh the returning players, and if you don't know how to curl, this is where to learn.

The 28th annual Terry Fox Run took place on Sept. 14 in Didsbury. The Terry Fox Run Committee would like to thank everyone who came out and participated, and the people who sponsored those participants. Thirty-three participants in the Didsbury run raised \$4,046 in pledges and donations. Thank you to the Town of Didsbury, AG Foods, Fire Chief Rick Mousseau and the fire department, Mayor Brian Wittal, Maxine and Melissa Moreau, Shirley Madge and all others who supported this event.

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1324 - 21 Avenue  
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305 Westhill Close  
Beautiful family home with many upgrades, new hardwood, all new kitchen with granite countertops, 2 fireplaces, jetted tub, and much more! Great location.



\$386,900

104 Westpoint PI  
Great floor plan, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, gas fireplace, kitchen, corner pantry, eating bar, jetted tub, vaulted ceilings, terrific location and nice paved lot!



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20, 1706 - 22 Ave  
Beautiful townhouse, condo, redone from top to bottom, new carpet, laminate, great kitchen, 3 levels fully finished



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8.71 Acres near Didsbury  
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16 Westhill Drive  
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1622 - 22 Avenue  
Over 1 Acre in town! Great family home, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, fresh exterior paint, beautiful rock fence, your own private park!



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36 Westpoint Drive  
Executive custom built home, over 1500 sq ft, tile & hardwood, fantastic kitchen, gas fireplace, terrific location, fully finished.



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49 Didsbury Mobile Home Park  
Affordability! 2 bedroom mobile on rented lot, all new flooring, fresh paint, nicely cleaned up, 2 sheds



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Water Valley  
Build your dream home! Last vacant lot in Little Red Acres. Well treed, backs onto municipal reserve



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1513 - 19 Avenue  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, main floor laundry, large country kitchen with island, beautiful mature yard, fully fenced, detached single garage, nice quiet street



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46 Southridge Cres.  
Great starter or revenue home! 3+1 bedrooms, 2 baths, newer laminate and lin, basement just needs ceiling, fenced yard backing onto large green space



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106 Valarosa Place  
Brand new home under construction! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, gas fireplace, corner jet tub, hardwood and much more. Quality built by Dreamwood Homes!



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214 Valarosa Place  
This brand new home is ready to move in! 1350 sq ft, upgraded laminate, 3 sided fireplace, jet tub, maple cabinetry, covered deck, huge lot, great price!



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2 story half duplex, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, wood burning fireplace, newer kitchen counter-tops, new shingles, newer rear deck, large yard, great location



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2127 - 16 Avenue  
Upgrades galore! 2+2 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, all new flooring, paint, ceiling, 2 double garages (1 heated), covered rear deck, huge lot



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# Learn from my fire safety mistakes

LEA SMALDON

Take it from me, everything the fire department warns you about during Fire Prevention Week can save a life, or in my case, oven mitts, countless hours of scrubbing, and a few trips to the store.

I tend to pride myself on being a "think-it-through" kind of person. Believe me, I didn't start out that way as my parents can attest. And when it comes to fire safety, I've had to learn the hard way.

Take the time I tried to use rubbing alcohol to get the burning barrel going. It was a beautiful fall Saturday and I was impatient to get the weekly chores done.

The garbage in the barrel must have been moist as it just wasn't lighting. I wanted an accelerant and I wanted it now. The only thing I could think of was the bottle of rubbing alcohol sitting in my medicine cabinet.

When I came out, I could see the flickering of light in the barrel but decided it could do with a mere drop of rubbing alcohol to get me on my way quicker.

Crazy I know. Even crazier (and stupid) was the fact that I held the rubbing alcohol bottle in my hand and attempted to pour "just a drop" into the burning barrel.

I guess the bottle exploded in my hand. To this day I really can't recall. It was so instantaneous.

I ran to the house not really realizing my hand was still on

fire - it felt cool and I could see no flames. It wasn't until I grabbed the doorknob that I realized my hand was burning. Turning the knob rubbed some of my skin off. Realizing this wasn't like anything I had ever experienced before, or even knew how to deal with, I jumped off the porch steps and buried my hand in the dirt pile that was just a few days earlier my garden.

Needless to say, the end result was a trip to the emergency room I won't forget. The doctor informed me not only that I had been very lucky only sustaining second degree burns, but that I had acted very foolishly.

And so, I've never used any type of liquid accelerant again to get a burning barrel started.

I also used to suffer from lack of attention in the kitchen. So much so that it forced me to have an easily accessible fire extinguisher at my beck and call.

I think I finally learned my lesson though, as I've not ever had to use it - knock on wood.

In the kitchen, I've been a firefighter's worst nightmare.

I am ashamed to say how many times I've set the oven mitts, pizza boxes, plastic bread bags (with the bread still in them), wooden spoons, and an assortment of frypans, cookie sheets and pots ablaze.

Most incidents were always minor in nature and served as a reminder that I needed to pay more attention around the stove.

But the incident that forced me call my husband and ask him to bring home a fire extinguisher immediately, was the scariest.

I was cooking pork chops in a fry pan for supper and had added some cooking oil. I then proceeded to tidy up in another room. I don't know why I didn't smell the smoke first. The first clue that something was wrong was when the smoke alarm screamed at me in that annoying, yet now comforting, screech.

Running into the kitchen I could barely see where I was going. The smoke was so thick and it was already stinging my eyes and making my throat sore. This after mere moments of being in the tick and thin of it.

I knew what had happened though. The pork chops in the frypan were ablaze and all I could think of was - throw it outside. Thank goodness I hadn't yet put the screens back into the windows after a recent washing and threw the frypan out the window. I rushed outside to check the pan and thankfully it was not on fire anymore.

Several hours later I assessed the damage when I could go back in without gagging. The back wall sustained smoke damage as did the kitchen fan. Hours of scrubbing could not remove the stains. I can still see evidence of my stupid mistake every time I cook something on the stove. It serves as a constant reminder that I must pay attention each and every time I use something that can cause a fire.

## Preventing home fires a priority

Fire Prevention Week provides an ideal opportunity to remind all Albertans about the potential negative impact fire may have on their lives.

Through the media, we hear about tragic fires, but how often do we take the time to consider the impact a fire would have on us?

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign focuses on preventing home fires. This is a very important

issue that definitely has the ability to positively impact each and every one of us.

Cooking is the leading cause of home fires, followed by malfunctioning electrical and heating equipment and careless smoking. Arson is referenced in this year's 2008 Fire Prevention Week Campaign Kit as it has become a significant and growing concern.

Fire can be tragic yet can be

avoided by taking extra precautions and paying attention. Take a few moments to review the information in this campaign kit and then make necessary changes at home to keep you and your loved ones safe.

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# A CENTURY OF FIREFIGHTING



The 1914 Didsbury fire. Photo contributed

BY LEA SMALDON  
*Didsbury Review*

A hundred years may have passed since the first volunteer fire department was organized in Didsbury, yet time has not diminished that same desire to pull together for the common good that the department was first created upon.

While new technology and knowledge may have advanced the pursuit of minimizing loss of life and property due to fire, many elements characteristic of early firefighting have changed little.

Techniques such as employing fireguards and mutual aid have stood the test of time as has the underlying unselfish attitude of putting oneself in harm's way to save life and property.

And it started the very night the first 34 settlers arrived in Didsbury in 1894, having travelled over 2,000 miles from their homes in Kitchener, Ontario to begin colonizing a new Mennonite settlement.

"On Wednesday, the first day of their arrival, they

saw on a ridge of land away to the south, the spectacle of a prairie fire. The second night the fire had sped on further west and appeared to the travel-worn settlers like an army creeping along the ridge," recounts Jerene Cowitz in the Didsbury history book *Echoes of an Era*, of the first few days her father and the other 34 settlers spent in their new home.

On the Friday, Cowitz recounts that the settlers were staking their claim and pitched a tent on the land before returning to the immigrant shed for the evening.

"That night they realized the fire was spreading in a direct line toward the spot where the tent was left and several men rode out in an effort to save it, but without success.

"But the loss of the tent was only a minor disaster in comparison to the one confronting the pioneers. When they got up from their crude beds in the immigrant shed Sunday morning the prairie fire was creeping around them.

"It may be imagined what dread these Ontario people, wholly unaccus-

tomed to such dangers as prairie fires, viewed the flames. But the bolder members of the company got out their ploughs and managed to keep the blaze away from their shelter by plowing furrows around it," she wrote.

In the early 1900s, prairie fires were rampant and little could be done but use what was at hand to save what one could.

Lucy M. Seibert, who emigrated to Didsbury in 1901 with her parents from Ontario, writes in *Echoes of an Era* about a Sunday afternoon blaze in 1906.

"It started about six miles north of our place and the Siebertville School almost got burnt. But someone just happened to be passing by and saw that the steps on the porch had started to burn so pulled them off and saved the school.

Our barn started to burn several places around the bottom and dad used wet sacks and water to put the fire out. Then the pipe broke, so he went in the basement and took brine out of the meat barrel and managed to save the barn," wrote Seibert.

Cecil A.B. Studer, whose father arrived in Didsbury in 1901, writes that citizens turned out in force during times of fires with wet sacks, blankets and coats to battle flames "and their efforts, combined with the judicious plowing of fireguards, extinguished the fires before they could reach any buildings."

It was the early organized efforts of the original homesteaders coupled with the progressive thinking of one man that helped create Didsbury's official volunteer fire department.

Before becoming a Liberal MLA, Henry Burns Atkins was a Didsbury businessman, Justice of the Peace, town councillor, and mayor. During his administration, he is credited with implementing the fire system and, later on, the installation of an electrical plant in 1912.

The volunteer department, as well as the entire town, was put to the ultimate test one fateful night in 1914, as recounted in a Didsbury Pioneer newspaper of the day.

"The first few hours of the new year 1914 proved to be very disastrous to

Didsbury when two blocks of its main business section was completely destroyed by fire.

For New Year's night, the town had been very quiet, no public celebration of any kind taking place, but the majority of the citizens staying up to see the old year out and the new year in. Consequently, they were enjoying a good sleep when the first fire alarm sounded about 3:30.

Considering everything, it was wonderful how soon the first chemical engine was at the scene of the fire, but it had gained such headway before...it was soon realized by everyone that it was useless work trying to put it out and the only thing to do was to try and keep it from spreading to the residential part of town and to save what stock could be saved from the stores.

The fire started in the rear of the Bijou Theatre on Railway Street...How it started is a mystery as the manager of the theatre claims that everything was alright when he left the building at midnight and the fire was discovered by Alf Smith about 3:30 when the

flames gained big headway.

Mr. Smith who had rooms with Alf Jury and Dave Mackie over the Royal Bank was awakened by the crackling flames and he at once aroused the others and Jury was giving the alarm two minutes after the fire had been discovered. But by the time the aid arrived flames were leaping scores of feet in the air and it was found that the two chemical engines with big water tanks were entirely inadequate to put out the fire.

Luckily for the residential part of the town, there was only a light breeze from the southeast blowing at the time but the flames spread with fiendish rapidity, both north and south, and it was soon realized that nothing could save the one block of business places...When it was seen that the local apparatus was not enough to cope with the fire, help was requested of the Calgary Fire Department and the C.P.R. made up a special train which quickly brought Assistant Fire Chief Carr and several men of the Calgary Fire

See Century on page 14



# CONGRATULATIONS



For Mountain View County residents, there is peace of mind in knowing that volunteer firefighters are ready to answer the call — selflessly willing to risk their well-being, in order to safeguard our lives,

and our property. Because of their courage and commitment over the years, our County is a better place, and for that, we express our gratitude. On behalf of Mountain View County Council and staff, I would like to congratulate the Didsbury Fire Department for 100 years of exemplary service to the rural community.

Al Kemmere,  
Reeve, Mountain View County



Richard Marz and the staff of Didsbury Three Hills Constituency Office, join so many in congratulating The Didsbury Fire Department on its 100th Anniversary.

These caring volunteers have dedicated so much time and effort to help so many in their time of need. These are the very people that have helped to make our province a great place to live. All the best!

Richard Marz, MLA  
Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills Constituency



The Town of Didsbury Council and Administration wish to congratulate

the Didsbury & District Fire Department on the occasion of their centennial anniversary, with sincere thanks for the many years of service that members have provided to our community.

Town of Didsbury



I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the Didsbury Fire Department on their centennial celebrations. Your dedication to the community through public safety, education and link in the chain of survival is

incredible. Far too often we do not take the time to thank you for this.

On behalf of the Mountain View Regional Emergency Services Commission's staff, administration and Board of Directors we extend both a congratulations and thank you for 100 years of personal and professional commitment.

Sincerely,  
Nicholas Thain, Executive Director MVRESC



With tremendous commitment and courage, the Didsbury Fire Department and its legacy of volunteers have continued to serve our town and surrounding

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their time to make our community of Didsbury a safer community. Congratulations on your 100th Anniversary. God Bless.

Gord Kerr,  
President, Dreamwood Homes

## Century

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Department with a motor fire engine and a lot of hose arriving here about 7 a.m.

They laid hose to the water tank at the electric power station but they had only been at work a short time when the supply of water gave out.

The firemen then turned to, and helped the citizens by pulling down a building at the rear of Jones' General Store which stopped the fire from spreading to other buildings. After two blocks on Railway Street had been demolished by the flames and everything appeared to be as safe as conditions allowed, a large number of citizens left for their homes...but had only been away a short time when a second alarm was rung about 8 o'clock.

It was found that after all the hard work put in trying to save the Alexandra livery barn during the big fire, that it had caught on in some mysterious manner and was soon a mass of flames. Absolutely nothing could be done to check the raging fire and 15 minutes after it had caught, there was not a stick to show that one of the largest barns in Alberta had occupied that spot.

Attention was immediately given to saving the residences...and here again the firefighters showed good judgement and splendid work saved this part of the town. This ended the most disastrous fire that this section of Alberta had ever experienced and where five hours before stood blocks of business places occupied by thirty merchants, nothing was left except a mass of smouldering ruins."

Walter J. Scheidt Sr. gave an eyewitness account of the now infamous New Year's fire of 1914 in Echoes of an Era.

"On January 1, 1914, the writer was awakened at four o'clock a.m. by John Wesley, who had walked out to my home and called to me as I was sleeping. 'Walter, Walter, wake up. The whole town is burning!'" wrote Scheidt. "It was a terrible New Year for the Didsbury merchants, the citizens, and the farmers - all felt the great loss."

While Scheidt's account preserves the urgency of the situation for generations to come, he also, maybe unwittingly, documented the town's early attempts at fire prevention.

"The city fathers met and decided that all new store buildings and hotels should be rebuilt of bricks, which was done," he wrote.

Lamaud Grant was nine years old when the New Year's Eve fire ravaged the town.

"I can still hear the noise and see the flames," she wrote in



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

### MANY DUTIES -Didsbury firefighters respond to a collision on Hwy 2 that resulted in the vehicle catching fire.

Echoes of an Era.

"Dad had a very narrow escape that night. He was on the roof of one of the buildings trying to fight the fire when the roof caved in. Somehow he managed to get to safety," she wrote.

In the 1920s, neighbours helped the Tom Ward family while their home burned from what was believed to be a fire that started under the kitchen range.

"It must have smoldered a long time. Neighbours had time to gather and remove much of the family belongings from the rooms before the fire really took over. Later, the barn also burned. The only defence to fight fire was water from the well in the pumphouse carried by bucket brigade. This meant folks lined up and passed full pails of water down the line as fast as possible."

Didsbury has not experienced a fire similar in magnitude since the event of 1914.

While it still attends to structure and grass fires, the volunteer fire department of today is now tasked with responding to gas leaks, first response at motor vehicle accidents, and medical assists. Cellphones and beepers have replaced the firebells that

used to ring out across the community. Volunteers are equipped with fire resistant clothing and ongoing professional training.

Two pump trucks, an emergency response unit, and a rapid response truck/ bushbuggy have replaced the old 'chemical engine' of the early 1900s.

But one thing that still rings true is the camaraderie in which the volunteers do their job. The Didsbury Pioneer captured this spirit in summing up the efforts during the 1914 fire.

"The one thing that perhaps stood out more prominently than anything else was the splendid work of the citizens in their work of salvaging stocks. All selfishness and ill-feeling if any existed, was completely and entirely forgotten. Merchants whose stocks have been saved as far as possible turned to with a will and helped their competitors; men, women and children risked life and limb in order that those who were suffering from the fire might save even a small portion of their goods and chattels," the 1914 article said.

The community joined the Didsbury and District Fire Department Saturday to celebrate its ongoing commitment to Didsbury and its 100 year history.

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# Home heating safety begins with maintenance

With Alberta's long and cold winters, many Albertans use a variety of methods to keep their homes comfortably warm.

These include furnaces, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves and portable heaters.

In addition to using heating equipment that is labelled by a recognized testing agency such as Canadian Standards Association (CSA) or Underwriter's Laboratories (UL/ULC), cleaning and regular maintenance are important steps in ensuring the safety of the heating sources in your home.

Additional safety guidelines include:

## Furnaces

- Replace and clean your furnace filter regularly (three to four times a year).
- Keep the area around your furnace clean and unobstructed.
- Keep the burner area of your furnace clean.
- Ensure that combustible materials such as newspaper, cardboard, paint thinner, paint rags, etc., are not anywhere near your furnace.
- Have your heating system inspected and serviced by a qualified technician once a year before the heating season starts.

## Fireplaces

- Have a service person inspect chimneys, fireplaces, wood and coal stoves and central furnaces once a year.

Have them cleaned when necessary.

- As most fireplaces are not intended as a primary heating source, continuous use of fireplaces may cause overheating and can be dangerous.

- Make sure that the fire is completely out before going to bed or leaving the home.

- Open the damper before you start a fire and keep it open until the ashes are cool to the touch. An open damper will draw smoke up the chimney instead of allowing it to enter your home.

- Use a screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers and sparks from escaping and igniting carpets or other combustible materials.

## Wood-burning stoves

- Use clean, well-seasoned wood that has been split and dried properly.

- Regularly remove ashes and store them in a covered metal container a safe distance from the house. Only dispose of ashes after they are completely cool.

- Burn only wood – not wrapping paper or garbage – in your wood-burning stove.

## Portable electric heaters

- When purchasing a space heater, be sure to choose one that automatically shuts off if the heater falls over.

- Space heaters need space – keep heaters at least one metre (three feet) away from your bed, curtains and other combustible materials.

## Five home safety tips

1. Watch your cooking – stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling or broiling food. If you must leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove.

2. Give space heaters space – keep fixed and portable space heaters at least one metre (three feet) from

anything that can burn. Turn off heaters when you leave the room or go to sleep.

3. Smoke outside – ask smokers to smoke outside. Have sturdy, deep ashtrays placed on sturdy surfaces for smokers.

4. Keep matches and lighters out

of reach – keep matches and lighters up high, out of the reach of children, preferably in a cabinet with a child lock on it.

5. Inspect electrical cords – replace cords that are cracked, damaged, have broken plugs or have loose connections.

- Avoid using an electrical heating device on the same circuit with another high wattage appliance, such as a microwave or toaster oven.

- Regularly inspect the wall outlet and heater plug and cord for excessive heat.

- Heaters should be placed on a flat, level surface so that they do not tip over and dislodge or break parts in the heater.

- Check electrical heating equipment regularly and replace loose, frayed or damaged cords.

NOTE: never use a range or oven to heat your home.

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# Planning ahead with an escape plan

If a fire broke out at your home would everyone in your family know what to do?

No matter where you live or how many people live in your home, it is important that everyone understands and practices a fire escape plan. The first step in creating a fire escape plan is to draw your escape plan and arrange a place to meet outside. Plan two ways out of every room.

Just having a fire escape plan isn't enough, though. To escape safely from a home fire you need to make sure that everyone in the home practices the plan. Make sure that everyone knows that if the smoke alarm goes off or someone shouts fire, they need to get out as quickly as possible.

Test your smoke alarm by pressing the test button to make sure it is in good working condition. Use the test to start your first practice fire drill. Practice your plan

twice a year with every person who lives in your home.

In a typical home fire, you may have as little as two minutes to escape from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Knowing how to use those minutes wisely can make a life-saving difference, so it is important to plan and practice your escape before a fire emergency happens.

## Plan your escape

- Make sure that everyone knows the sound of the smoke alarm and what to do if it activates.

- Create an escape plan with the entire household and practice it.

- Make sure your plan identifies two ways out of each room, if possible, and a meeting place outside.

- In basements, place furniture under the window to aid in escaping.

- In two storey homes, have a rescue ladder nearby.

- If there are any obstacles blocking your escape route, move them. Nothing should stand in the way of a safe, quick exit.

- Children need to understand the importance of GET OUT and STAY OUT. Once children are outside they need to stay outside, and go to a pre-arranged meeting location (tree, light, fire hydrant, etc.).

- Since it is known that children have difficulty waking up to the sound of a smoke alarm during their sleeping hours, practice a fire drill at night.

- Once outside, stay outside.

- Never re-enter a burning building.

- Call the fire department from a neighbour's home or cell phone.

Work with your family to plan your escape routes to ensure that everyone will know how to get out alive!

## A top three list you don't want to be on

The numbers are astounding - homes account for 61 per cent of all fire deaths and 60 per cent of all fire injuries.

That's why this year's Fire Prevention Week theme - It's Fire Prevention

Week: Prevent Home Fires!" - is particularly important.

Most home fires are cooking related, followed by smoking, arson related, heating and electrical. Yet by making just a few changes, many of these fires

can be prevented.

By paying greater attention to fire prevention and safety, hopefully these statistics can be dramatically reduced this year and beyond.

Major known causes of home fires in Alberta between 2002 and 2006

### 1. Cooking

Number of fires - 1,624, percentage of all fires - 21, deaths - 10,

injuries - 239, property loss \$36,017,281

### 2. Arson/set fire

Number of fires - 989, percentage of all fires - 13, deaths - 11, injuries - 73, property loss \$58,035,312

### 3. Smoking

Number of fires - 896, percentage of all fires - 12, deaths - 19, injuries - 111, property loss \$40,791,656

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*Thank you for your continued support!*

*Sincerely, MVCU Didsbury Branch Staff*

### What you need to know about

## home fire prevention

October 5 - 11 is Fire Prevention Week

There are many possible causes for a fire to start in your home. Every fire starts when a heat source and anything that can burn are brought together. Take fire prevention steps when cooking, heating, smoking, using candles or electricity.

### Make home fire prevention a priority:

- Install at least one smoke alarm on every level of your home and outside all sleeping areas.
- Test alarms every month.
- Create and practice a home fire escape plan.

For more information about Fire Prevention Week and fire safety, visit [www.aema.alberta.ca](http://www.aema.alberta.ca)

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# Wild Rose candidates make final pitch

BY DAN SINGLETON

With the 2008 federal election campaign now in its final days – Canadians go to the polls on Oct. 14 – the five candidates vying for the Wild Rose seat have outlined some of their respective positions on some of the key issues facing the region.

Conservative Blake Richards, Green Party candidate Lisa Marie Fox, Liberal Jenn Turcott, NDP candidate Jeff Horvath, and Libertarian Krista Zoobkoof are in the race to replace former long-time MP Myron Thompson.

The Wild Rose Riding includes Sundre, Caroline, Olds, Carstairs, and Didsbury. During interviews last week, the Wild Rose candidates touched on everything from health care to justice to food safety.

## Jeff Horvath



NDP candidate Horvath says his first priority if elected would be to work for better environmental protection in the region and nation.

"I'm really concerned about the state of our environment," said Horvath, who ran in Wild Rose in 2004. "People should vote for a party that takes the issue seriously and shows some leadership and that's the NDP. Our party platform is we are going to make some of the big polluters pay and

clean up the mess. I think it is similar to what happened with acid rain in the 1980s. We don't want to jeopardize jobs but we want to focus on an environmental platform that will work."

On the education front, he says he will work to reduce child poverty levels through improved education.

"We have to look at child poverty, and education is a key component to improving things. We all agree that child poverty is something we have to deal with as a just society. In a larger sense the New Democrats want to focus on child benefits."

As for health care, he says he will fight attempts to create a two-tier system.

"Every year there are rumblings of privatization. We look at that clinic that opened up in Calgary. It is just opening up the floodgates to a two-tier system. My position is that we have a universal health-care plan and we want to keep it public."

## Jenn Turcott



Liberal candidate Turcott, who is seeking public office for the first time, says if she's elected she will do all she can to fight the privatization of the health-care system.

"What really scares me is the encroaching of private health-care into our communities," said Turcott. "I use the analogy that if your brakes are rusted on your car you don't take the whole car apart to fix it."

"That's what we need to focus on in Canada, not ripping apart our entire health care system to fix it. It's looking at the problems that can be improved upon. Private health care is going to create more problems and take doctors out of the public health-care system."

On the agriculture front, she says she wants to do more to support the family farm.

"With fertilizer prices doubling in the next year farmers really have some hard searching whether or not they will be able to continue with their livelihood. There needs to be a release of the capital gains tax on farmers because if they need to pull out they need to do so without being punished."

"Ottawa needs more input from farmers out here. They can't just rely on the city needs; lots of rural needs need to be addressed. You know the farmer and they don't take pride in taking handouts. They take pride in doing things on their own so there needs to be better planning with Canadian farmers."

## Lisa Fox



Green Party candidate Fox, who is seeking public office for the first time, said key election issues for her include agriculture and preventive health care.

"As an elected MP one of the things I would love to do for our riding is I do want to lobby for some changes for diversified agriculture," said Fox. "That means giving our farmers and our producers some access to making some good decisions for opening up some markets and diversifying some markets."

"We need to put some support behind our farmers who want to keep the Canada Wheat Board going. I know the Conservative government doesn't want that, but I think we need to listen to farmers and include them in the discussion. I would be very supportive of that."

"I'm hearing it over and over again that the federal government needs to support our farmers and right now they are getting in the way."

She said she would also push for more money for the Canadian Federation of Municipalities for "green municipal funds."

"In other words, giving municipalities incentives, perhaps financial incentives and grant opportunities, so they can leverage development in their communities, so they can keep big box stores out and start putting meaningful jobs back into communities."

In the area of health care, she said, "I absolutely believe in universal health care. I think we as Canadians should take pride in our health care and we need to invest in that."

"We need to invest through preventive health-care as well. When we start to address food safety and genetically modified foods and what's in our foods I think we are going to see a healthier population. I'll be pushing for that as well."

## Blake Richards



If he is elected, Conservative Richards says working for justice reform will be one of his immediate priorities.

"The first and foremost issue I'm hearing from people is the need to get tougher on crime," said Richards, who is seeking public office for the first time. "People have generally been pretty happy with the direction they have seen us heading as the Conservative government."

"Certainly they are expecting more. I think the big one is dealing with violent crime and youth crime. That's definitely a big issue."

In the area of agriculture, Richards says he would work to find ways to protect smaller farm operations.

"When we talk about the family farm people are very concerned for the future of the family farm. We are seeing young farmers leaving the farm. I do know that we have to find some way to make sure the family farm survives."

Richards says the economy is another key issue, one that he says boils down to a question of national leadership.

"A big issue now is the economy and people are concerned. People see what is happening in the States and they are afraid how that is going to affect Canada. At times like this we should look at who is best to lead us through these times and I think that's Stephen Harper (Conservative leader)."

## Krista Zoobkoof



Libertarian candidate Zoobkoof said she supports changes to the health system that would increase alternatives for people.

"I think we should have a dual health-care system," said Zoobkoof. "I support privatized health-care as well as the health care system we have and also alternative health care. This creates alternatives

for people who are not happy with the current system."

In the area of the economy, she says the Libertarians want to see taxes cut.

"We push for a small, efficient, transparent government. Tax cuts will help put more money into people's pockets and that in turn helps the economy. We believe in free markets."

She said legalizing cannabis is one of the party's goals.

We also believe that people who commit violent crime should be jailed and have to pay back their victims. If you do not harm another person or their property, we do not believe you have committed a crime. This involves drug offences. We are calling for the legalization of cannabis. This will help to curb crime on the streets."

## Chamber Chat

### Stand up comedian coming to Didsbury



Interactive stand-up comedian, Clark Robertson, will be headlining the Small Business Gala on Saturday, October 18, the Chamber of Commerce's 6th annual salute to the Didsbury business community.

This year's entertainer is more than a comedian. With his juggling skills, eclectic array of props, colourful costumes and razor-sharp comedic timing, Clark Robertson is a virtual one-man clean comedy

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Olympic Games. Clark's humour, showmanship and high energy performance captures the audience's full attention from beginning to end.

The Small Business Gala celebrates the contribution businesses in Didsbury make to our community, and is an enjoyable evening out with friends and neighbours. Besides the announcement of the new "People's Choice" winner, a fabulous dinner will be served

by Didsbury Catering & Delights, and a Ducks Unlimited Silent Auction, the highlight of the evening is the presentation of the Small Business of the Year award.

Tickets are still available - call Tara at 403-335-4800. Everyone will enjoy the festivities! For more on the Chamber of Commerce, please check out the website at [www.didsburychamber.ca](http://www.didsburychamber.ca) or call 403-335-3265.

# 20 tons of potatoes destined for charity



**MANY HANDS FEED MANY** – It takes a many quick hands to keep the potatoes sorted from rocks and mud. The potato harvester took 10 people to operate smoothly.

Carla Victor/Carstairs Courier

BY MARK LAYCOCK  
For the Review

It doesn't matter whether they're mashed, baked, boiled, fried or microwaved, just so long as there's enough to go around.

That's the attitude of the many volunteers who spent last Saturday toiling through 2.5 acres of potatoes in search of the delicious, and most certainly nutritious, vegetables in hopes of sharing them with those less fortunate.

This year marks the fifth year of the Carstairs Potato Project at the Terry Niessen Farm, located just a short drive down the road from Hugh Sutherland School.

This year, more than 20 tons of potatoes will be distributed to various charities, organizations, schools and groups across Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The man with a million ideas, Joe

Niessen, insists credit for the project belongs with the many volunteers who have lent a hand to picking up the thousands of potatoes every year.

The bashful retired farmer declined to say much else, simply shrugging off the accolades he receives from friends and family—to Joe, it's nothing out of the ordinary.

"Inasmuch as you have done it for the least of My brothers, you have done it unto Me," about sums up Joe's sentiments.

Lending a helping hand in the endeavour was Eve Bessex, who has lent her time to the harvest since its inception. This year she brought her husband Lynn along for the ride.

"I think it's a good project, they usually have all kinds of people come to help that will also benefit," she said.

The couple has known Joe and his wife Theo for about 10 years—or as they call them now, "mom and pop."

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## Potato

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"You feel (like you) accomplished a goal that you know is helpful to other people," explained Eve.

Standing by with a characteristic green cap on his head was Garry Kellsey, who has also spent several years collecting spuds.

After briefly surveying the field he piped up, "There's going to be enough potatoes here (to feed) Carstairs."

The crop was planted in May, and thanks to an even mix of rain, sun and a lack of baseball-sized hail, the vegetables grew to the expectations of Joe and Theo.

To keep with the roots of traditional farming, an antique tractor and age-old picker was trucked in to do the hard work.

The harvester (which looked like some type of giant metal beast with conveyor belts shooting every which way, and a roaring sounds as it trudged through broken canola stalks) was borrowed from a friend of the Niessens', while the tractor was delivered courtesy of antique farm equipment collector Howard Hildebrandt.

Following a quick cup of coffee and a prayer of thanks it was time to hit the fields. First on the starting line was the picker and the accompanying hopper truck.

The harvester scoops up the potatoes from their underground hideaway and moves them up a conveyor belt to the top of the machine where seven workers frantically separated the potatoes from rocks, stems and other matter.

The potatoes then continue through the machine where any remaining dirt is shaken before being dumped in the hopper.

The harvester required a crew of 10 to operate it, but those aboard could always use a few more hands.

Trailing behind the harvester were several individuals who would rummage through the soil in search of missed or abandoned spuds.

With buckets in hand, the diggers worked feverishly to ensure every remaining potato was found.

Meanwhile, Garry trekked across the field in a forklift, delivering large boxes to the diggers for them to unload their buckets in.

When the hopper truck was full, several people would jump inside and fumble through the mounds of potatoes in search of rocks or clumps of dirt while a conveyor belt spat out potatoes into boxes through the unloading chute.

One of those sifting through the pile of potential french fries was Randy Reddekott, head chef from Millar Bible College in Pambrun, Sask.

Randy made the seven hour drive to the farm to take part in the harvest to see and understand just how the potatoes go from

the farm all the way to his kitchen, where he has to whip up enough mashed potatoes to feed 140 hungry mouths every day.

"It's kind of neat that I can be part of this, being that I'm the recipient of the (potatoes)," said Randy while he chucked several rocks over the side.

The college has been receiving potatoes from the farm for several years and Randy admits it's a contribution that saves the school a lot on the monthly food budget.

"This year we've got a bumper crop of students, about 20 more than last year, so the appetites are huge."

Randy will take about seven boxes back to the school with him, which he says should hold the school over for the year.

"I feel very blessed that there's someone interested in doing this. It saves the school substantially on potatoes."

In all, the potatoes will be distributed to more than 10 charities including the Mountain View Food Bank, Calgary Catholic Charities and Deer Valley Meadows Camp.

Following the harvest, all the volunteers were invited to a delicious home-cooked dinner at the Carstairs Memorial Complex where the inevitable question was asked: "baked or mashed?"



Mark Laycock for the Review

**ROCK, ROCK, POTATO...** Murray Deyo sorts through rock, mud and potato on the back of the harvester. *Carla Victor/Carstairs Courier*

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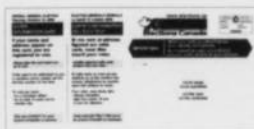
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### Chinook Winds Christian Centre

1710 - 14th Street Didsbury  
SUNDAY CELEBRATION - 10 a.m.  
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Colin Creighton, Youth Pastor  
Christine Little, Children's Ministries Director  
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.  
Regular Sunday Service 10:45 a.m.  
with ZionKids Worship for up to Grade 6

## Archive week October 1 -9

This is the month to check out your local museum has to offer. Archives Month is observed nationally during the month of October.

Its purpose is to celebrate and promote the documentary richness of our nation.

Through exhibits, receptions, lectures, and many other events the public is invited into repositories to view "glimpses" of the past via archival materials.

Archives Week runs from Oct. 1-9 this year. Or, if you want to get out and about, visit the the Provincial Archives of Alberta (PAA) in Edmonton.

Located in Edmonton, Alberta, the PAA acquires, preserves and makes available for research private and government records of provincial significance. The PAA also serves as the permanent repository of records of enduring value of the Government of Alberta.

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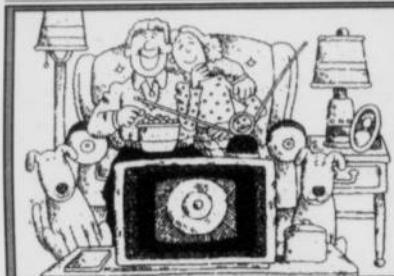
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## WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8 EVENING

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News	Access H	E.T.	The Insid	Pushing Daisies	Private Practice	Dirty Sexy Money	News	News	News	News	News	News
N.H.L. Season Previ	Sportscentre	(90 Min)	Off The R	H.B.O. Boxing After Dark	(120 Min)	Sportscentre	Off The R	Crime 360	Jack	Survivor	Ugly Betty	Friends
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Law & Order S.V.U.	Hel's Kitchen U.K.	Secret Life Of The A	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
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## FRIDAY OCTOBER 10 EVENING

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## SATURDAY OCTOBER 11 EVENING

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N.H.L. Hockey: Mont	N.H.L. Hockey: Vancouver Canucks @ Calgary Flames (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Montreal Canadiens @ T	N.H.L. Hockey: Toronto Maple Leafs @ Boston Bruins (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: New York Rangers @ Philadelphia Flyers (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Pittsburgh Penguins @ Washington Capitals (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: St. Louis Blues @ Chicago Blackhawks (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: San Jose Sharks @ Dallas Stars (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Anaheim Ducks @ New York Islanders (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Carolina Hurricanes @ Florida Panthers (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Tampa Bay Lightning @ Boston Bruins (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: New Jersey Devils @ New York Rangers (180 Min)	N.H.L. Hockey: Philadelphia Flyers @ Pittsburgh Penguins (180 Min)
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College Football: Teams T.B.A.	(180 Min)	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
Nascar Sprint Cup Series: Bank Of America 500	(270 Min)	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
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Survivorman	Kaya	Role That	Movie: "These Girls"	(2005)	(Drama)	(18+)	City Sho	Reviews	O.C.	Northern	News	News
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8	Star Wars: Degress	Flashpoint			Amazing Race		Desperate Housewif		News	News	C.S.I. New York		Access H
9	Heartland	Movie: "Booky Makes Her Mark"			(120 Min)		News		The Fifth Estate		Canadian	C.B.C. Sports Later!	
10	Renegade	King Of T	Brothers & Sisters		Futurama	Movies			News	Disaster	Paid Prog	Key Of D	Entertain
9	Gossip Girl		Home Videos		Mad Men		Cold Case		Relic Hunter		Movie: "National Lampoon's - Ch		
11	Instant Beauty Pages	El Showcase			Extreme Makeover		El Specials		Fanatical	Driving Tr	J.R. Digs		Wild On
10	Movie: "Adventures Of Shark Boy & Lava Girl"				Prank Pat		The Next Star		Falcon Beach		Mystery H	Ghost Tr	Futurama
10	Spain	Nature			Last Enemy (Part 2)		Get Read	Foyle's War	(90 Min)		Wild Chro	America's	Nature
11	N.F.L. Football: New England Patriots @ San Diego Ch	Best Sport					Law & Order: S.V.U.	C.S.I. New York		News	Paid Prog	Paid Prog	
11	News	News	60 Minutes		The Amazing Race		Cold Case	The Unit		News	Mike Hol	Tim Moca	
10	News	Exploir T	Home Videos		Extreme Makeover		Desperate Housewif	Brothers & Sisters		News	Jack Van	Paid Prog	
11	N.F.L. Football: New England Patriots @ San Diego C	Sportscentre					Motoring	Nascar Now		Sportscentre		Reporters	
10	C.S.I. Miami	C.S.I. Miami	Cleaner		Cleaner		C.S.I. Miami	C.S.I. Miami		C.S.I. Miami		Cleaner	
10	News	Renegade	King Of T		Futurama	Movies		Brothers & Sisters		News	House &	Peter Pog	
11	Murdoch	F.C.I.	Easy Money		Valentine		Voice Of Courage	Reviews	E.P. Daily		O.C.	American	
10	Rio: Mort	Thompson	Easy Money		Valentine		Disorderly House	News	Ad Persu		C.C. Mike York	Access H	





Thanksgiving is  
all about family;  
and so are we.

No one knows the importance of family more than us. We wish you the joy of being together during the time when we count our blessings and spend time with those we are the closest to.



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#### 110. In Memoriam

**W. G. (Bill) St. Clair**  
Passed October 9, 2005

*To the world he was a man,  
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Forever loved and missed,  
**Rita, Pam, Sandra  
& families**

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#### 110. In Memoriam

#### SORENSEN, Vagny Helga (Meldgaard)

Vagny Helga Sorensen was born in Denmark, November 27, 1910 and passed away in Didsbury, September 20, 2008.

She is survived by two brothers in Denmark; her daughter Anga (John) Overwater and her son Gordon (Wendy) and their families; Rick and Dan Overwater; Kristina (Overwater) Osterman and Ron and Allan Sorensen; and a nephew, Knud Thorgersen of Olds; 13 great-grand children and one great-great-grandchild. Her husband, Ole, predeceased her in 1989. Vagny was a wonderful cook, meticulous housekeeper, and kept a beautiful yard. She was proud to have driven a combine for 48 years. This was her favourite job. She will be dearly missed.

At Vagny's request, no funeral was held, but a private family graveside service took place September 26, 2008.

#### 110. In Memoriam

For Don Watt, a wonderful brother and friend:

*"Missing you is a heartache  
that never goes away."*

Remembered with love,  
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#### 150. Birthdays/Anniversaries

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#### 5110. Houses For Rent

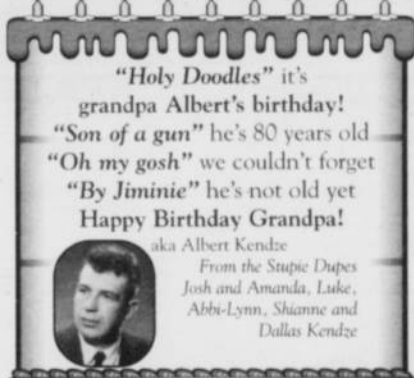
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#### 150. Birthdays/Anniversaries

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#### 190. Announcements

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### Landfill Public Open House

October 15, 2008

2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

At the MVRWMC Landfill

3 km North West of Didsbury

NW 25-31-2-W5M

The Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission invites you to a public open house. The public is welcome to express their views regarding the change to increase the amount of waste accepted in the Class II Landfill cell annually. Members of the management team will be in attendance to address any questions. Or, feel free to just drop in for coffee and view the site.

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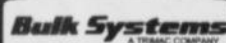
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**FAMILY HOME**  
\$269,900  
4 bedroom, 1080 sq. ft. Mature trees, backs onto park, hardwood, fireplace and single oversized garage.



**BEAUTIFUL RENOVATION**  
\$294,900  
1275 sq. ft., 3 bedroom family home. New tile, carpet and appliances. Great backyard, mature trees and RV Parking.



**BEAUTIFUL TWO STOREY**  
\$299,900  
New 3 bedroom, 1465 sq. ft. home in Didsbury. Great Room, open breakfast nook/kitchen and large den.



**TIMELESS CLASSIC**  
\$299,900  
This 1891 sq. ft., 2 story is a classic. With a dbl garage, 3 bdrms & mature yard, the possibilities are endless on this large 36' x 65' lot.



**DIDSBURY 1/2 DUPLEX (+45)**  
\$324,000  
Over 1066 sq. ft., brand new construction in a peaceful living subdivision. Great space throughout. 5 Year Home Warranty Package.



**NEW LISTING**  
**QUIET CUL DE SAC**  
\$324,900  
4 bdrms, 1108 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms & fully finished basement. Deck, shed, nicely landscaped lot with double-attached garage. Close to Didsbury High School.



**GREAT FAMILY HOME**  
\$329,900  
Fully finished 5 bedroom bungalow, 1220 sq. ft. with double detached garage, quiet setting, 2 decks and lovely backyard.



**NEW CONSTRUCTION**  
\$331,900  
Walk-out bunt, 1214 sq. ft. 3 bdrms bi-level. Hardwood, tile and carpet, 9' ceilings backing onto the pond in the Valarona sub-division.



**SPECTACULAR ACREAGE**  
\$349,900  
Build your dream home! 13 acres of beautifully treed land. Shopping hillside, great drainage. Walking distance to golf course.



**QUALITY CRAFTSMANSHIP**  
\$349,900  
1256 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, fireplace, ceramic tile and hardwood, backing onto green space.



**FAMILY BUNGALOW**  
\$349,900  
3 bdrms, hardwood floors, 2nd garage in backyard. RV Parking, large family room, room for additional bdrms down.



**QUICK POSSESSION - IN OLDS**  
\$359,900  
View the mountains while doing the dishes. 1292 sq. ft. modified bi-level. Fireplace, vaulted ceiling, in-floor heat and much more. New construction with large garage.



**OSADCHUK HEIGHTS, SUNDRE**  
\$494,900  
Desirable sub-division, 1400 sq. ft. 5 bdrm raised bungalow on 1.1 acres. Hardwood, ceramic tile, in-floor heat, fully finished lower, dbl detached oversized garage.



**CALGARY TOWNHOUSE**  
\$219,900  
No Condo fees. 4 bedroom unit with parking in the back with room to build a garage.



**STUNNING ACREAGE PROPERTY**  
\$764,000  
3.88 acres for the horse lover. Log home with over 2,000 sq. ft. above ground, 4 bdrms & a fully finished walkout bsmt. Close to Didsbury.



**FARM LAND (80 ACRES)**  
\$614,900  
1250 sq. ft. 3 bedroom Westcott Beauty. Fully developed walk-up basement. Horse barn. (subdivision potential).



**COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL**  
\$774,900  
Located in Rosebud Estates on 1.69 acres, this home has it all, 2320 sq. ft., walk-out bunt, hardwood, tile & in-floor heat. Triple attached garage.



**FARM/HAY LAND & HOUSE**  
\$799,900  
Full Quarter with oil lease & beautiful 1600 sq. ft., 6 bdrm home with large garage/shop, all ready for your large family, near Sundre.



**BEAUTIFUL QUARTER SECTION**  
\$850,000  
134 (+/-) acres, over 1500 sq. ft. lovely home. Quonset, shop, rolling hills and lots of trees.



**GREAT HORSE SETUP**  
\$1,499,900  
9 acres with a 60' x 160' riding arena, 13 heated box stalls, 2280 sq. ft. bungalow. Mountain view, lovely landscaping.



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